## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

# **Application Ranking Summary**

# **Upland Wildlife Habitat Management SD**

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Upland Wildlife Habitat Management SD		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

## **National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions		
Healthy Plant & Animal Communities - Wildlife Habitat Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the applicant to:		
1. a. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program?	Yes O or No O	
1. b. Address and support one of the following priorities: Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative (MRBI), North American Waterfowl Management Plan, National Fish Habitat Action Plan, Greater Sage Grouse Conservation Strategy, State Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategies (also referred to as the State Wildlife Action Plans), Northern Bobwhite Conservation Initiative, Restoration of Longleaf Pine Forests		
1. c. Benefit federally listed threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, fish or wildlife species of concern?	Yes O or No O	
1. d. Benefit prioritized native habitat critical to a fish or wildlife species?	Yes O or No O	
1. e. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes O or No O	
1. f. Eradicate or control prioritized noxious or invasive species?	Yes O or No O	
1. g. Benefit declining or important aquatic wildlife species prioritized in the State WHIP Plan?		
1. h. Implement conservation practices which benefit prioritized fish or wildlife species in forested areas?	Yes O or No O	
1. i. Establish habitat on pivot corners and irregular areas on agricultural land?	Yes O or No O	
1. j. Provide self-sustaining habitat for prioritized fish and wildlife while reducing net carbon emissions or boosting carbon storage (e.g., warm season perennial grasses, trees or shrubs)?	Yes O or No O	
Business Lines – Conservation Implementation - Additional Ranking Considerations – Will the applicant in the proposed project:		
2. a. Complete habitat development within the first two years of the agreement?	Yes O or No O	

#### **State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Does the proposed treatment include estaclishment of native, warm season grasses managed for wildlife habitat?	Yes O or No O
2. Will the proposed treatment create early successional woodland habitat managed for small game?	Yes O or No O
3. Will livestock be excluded from designated wildlife areas except as needed for habitat management?	Yes O or No O

### **Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the proposed treatment include tree plantings established to connect woodland habitat areas?	Yes O or No O
2. Will the proposed treatment be directed to a specific species instead of general wildlife habitat?  Yes O	
3. Will the participant agree to complete all practices in the first three years of the contract?	Yes O or No O

### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	
This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.	

Notes:

	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: